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Official meetings

Thursday, 22 July 2010

Security Council

10 a.m. — 6364th meeting — Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Guinea-Bissau

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

3–6 p.m. — 238th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building)

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly
(20–22 September 2010)

The list of participants of the round tables will be open for the inscription by Member States *today*, 22 July 2010 (see page 6).

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General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty
First session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 10th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Recommendations on the elements that would be needed to attain an effective and balanced legally binding instrument on the highest possible common international standards for the transfer of conventional arms in accordance with operative paragraph 7 of the General Assembly resolution 64/48 . . . . . [5]

[The Preparatory Committee adopted the draft decision on the modalities of attendance of non-governmental organizations at the sessions of the Preparatory Committee, as contained in document A/CONF.217/PC/L.2. Further information can be found at the following address: <www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/ATTPrepCom/index.htm>.]

[Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Timur Alasaniya (room IN-611; fax 1 (212) 963-5305 — c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Lists of delegations can also be delivered to the office of the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch in the North Lawn Building (NL-1033D).]

Independent Audit Advisory Committee
Eleventh session

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

2.30–5.30 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2010

General segment

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 44th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

1. Coordination, programme and other questions . . . . . [7]

   (d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

   Introduction of draft resolution E/2010/L.21

2. Social and human rights questions (A/64/803–E/2010/91) . . . . . [14]

   (b) Social development (E/2010/26, E/2010/NGO/17, E/2010/NGO/41 and E/2010/NGO/52)

   (c) Crime prevention and criminal justice (E/2010/30, E/2009/30/Add.1 and E/2010/10)

   (d) Narcotic drugs (E/2010/28, E/2009/28/Add.1 and E/INCB/2009/1)

   (e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (E/2010/86, E/2010/87, E/2010/94, E/2010/95 and E/2010/96)

   (f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

   (g) Human Rights (E/2010/22 (and programme budget implications contained in E/2010/L.16), E/2010/89, A/65/41 and E/2010/NGO/19)

(h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (E/2010/43 (Supp. No. 23))

Introductory statement by the Assistant Secretary-General, New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

Introductory statements and general discussion

Introduction and action on draft resolution E/2010/L.18

Action on recommendations contained in the reports of the subsidiary bodies

3–6 p.m. 45th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

Elections:

International Narcotics Control Board (E/2010/9/Add.15, E/2010/9/Add.16, E/2010/9/Add.17 and E/2010/9/Add.18)

2. Coordination, programme and other questions [7]

(g) Tobacco or health

Action on draft resolutions E/2010/L.14 and E/2010/L.26

3. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan [11]

Introduction of draft resolution E/2010/L.31

4. Economic and environmental questions [13]

(a) Sustainable development

Action on draft resolution E/2010/L.30

5. Social and human rights questions [14]

(b) Social development (E/2010/26, E/2010/NGO/17, E/2010/NGO/41 and E/2010/NGO/52)

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice (E/2010/30, E/2009/30/Add.1 and E/2010/10)

(d) Narcotic drugs (E/2010/28, E/2009/28/Add.1 and E/INCB/2009/1)

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (E/2010/86, E/2010/87, E/2010/94, E/2010/95 and E/2010/96)

(f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

(g) Human Rights (E/2010/22 (and programme budget implications contained in E/2010/L.16), E/2010/89, A/65/41 and E/2010/NGO/19)

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Action on recommendations contained in the reports of the subsidiary bodies

[The list of side events on the occasion of the 2010 substantive session of the Council is available at <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/pdf10/10_side_events.pdf>.]

Convention on the 7Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Forty-sixth session

10 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . . 939th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

3–5 p.m. . . . . 940th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women . . . . . [4]

Introduction of the combined initial to third periodic reports of Papua-New-Guinea (CEDAW/C/PNG/3)

Working Group of the Whole

5–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

United Nations Dispute Tribunal

Hearings

The United Nations Dispute Tribunal will hold hearings (open) *today*, 2 July 2010, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room L-IB-30 (Secretariat Building).

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2010

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by the facilitator, Mr. Md. Nojibur Rahman (Bangladesh), on the draft resolution on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 *today*, 22 July 2010, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by the facilitator, Mr. Noel González Segura (Mexico), on the draft resolution on financing for development, under agenda item 6 (a), *today*, 22 July 2010, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by the facilitator, Ms. Namira Negm (Egypt), on the draft resolution on international cooperation on tax matters *today*, 22 July 2010, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Other meetings

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Thursday, 22 July 2010

Group of 77 (on the 2010 High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals)

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Third Committee matters)

9.30–10.30 a.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

10.30 a.m.–12 noon . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

3–5 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the political declaration to be adopted at the high-level review of progress made in addressing the vulnerabilities of small island developing States through the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy)

12 noon–2 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Arab Group (at the expert level) (on water issues)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Thursday, 22 July 2010

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly
(20–22 September 2010)

All delegations wishing to participate in the round tables are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, *in writing*, by facsimile (1 (212) 963-3783) or e-m (muturi@un.org and heddachem@un.org), indicating the name and the level of the participant. Inscription, on a first-come, first-served basis, will be open as of *today*, 22 July 2010.

As stipulated in resolution 64/184 of 21 December 2009 (A/RES/64/184), the six rou tables will be held as follows:

Monday, 20 September:

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Round table 1 — Addressing the challenge of poverty, hunger and gender equality

From 3 to 6 p.m.

Round table 2 — Meeting the goals of health and education

Tuesday, 21 September:

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Round table 3 — Promoting sustainable development

From 3 to 6 p.m.

Round table 4 — Addressing emerging issues and evolving approaches

Wednesday, 22 September:

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Round table 5 — Addressing the special needs of the most vulnerable

From 2 to 5 p.m.

Round table 6 — Widening and strengthening partnerships

For each regional group, the distribution of its members for participation in each rou table session will be as follows:

(a) African States: ten Member States

(b) Asian States: ten Member States

(c) Eastern European States: five Member States

(d) Latin American and Caribbean States: seven Member States

(e) Western European and other States: six Member States

Each delegation may only participate in one round table and thus may wish to indicat three preferences when inscribing on the list.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly

There will be an informal "informal" meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly on Friday, 23 July 2010, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Briefing

The Executive Board of UNICEF will hold an informal briefing on the report on "Progress made in human resources management in UNICEF" on Tuesday, 27 July 2010, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings of the General Assembly

Informal meeting of the plenary on a United Nations global plan of action on preventing trafficking in persons, prosecuting traffickers and protecting and assisting victims of trafficking

Monday, 26 July 2010, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Other forthcoming meetings

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JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee experts) (on the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

Friday, 23 July 2010, from 8.45 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building).

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly

Friday, 23 July 2010, from 9 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Friday, 23 July 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 5 (NLB)*.

Forthcoming other activities

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UNITAR Continued IT Education (CITE) Project Information Session

Friday, 23 July 2010, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Friday, 13 August 2010, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB); and

Friday, 27 August 2010, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Mr. Evan Silberman, UNITAR (e-mail evan.silberman@unitar.org; tel. 1 (917) 512-9457).]

UNITAR Workshop on Environmental Negotiations and Climate Change Diplomacy

Thursday, 26 August 2010, from 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Friday, 27 August 2010, from 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

[Open to all permanent and observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Gabrielle Goudiaby, UNITAR (e-mail goudiaby@unitarny.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Announcements

Side events on the occasion of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly

Delegations and other interested parties are invited to submit their proposed side events for inclusion in the calendar of partnership events to be held in conjunction with the High-level Plenary Meeting. Please use the online form on the official Web site of the High-level Plenary Meeting <www.un.org/en/mdg/summit2010/events.shtml>. Information on where to submit requests for rooms is also available on the official Web site. For further information, please send an e-mail to hlpmevents@un.org. The tentative list of side events is now available on the official Web site.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.shtml> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>. All comments and suggestions about the daily *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 21 July 2010

Security Council

6363rd meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Bangladesh, Cuba, Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Jordan, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, the Philippines, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 20 July 2010 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/2010/391), in which he requested to be invited to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the discussion.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 16 July 2010 from H.E. Mr. Paul Badji, Chair of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, requesting his participation in the meeting. The President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to H.E. Mr. Paul Badji.

The President drew attention to a letter from H.E. Mr. Pedro Serrano, Acting Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, requesting his participation in the meeting. The President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to H.E. Mr. Pedro Serrano.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe.

The Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of Palestine.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Israel.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Lebanon, the Russian Federation, Mexico, Brazil, Gabon, the United Kingdom, Austria, Turkey, France, Uganda and China, and by the President, speaking her capacity as the representative of Nigeria.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Egypt (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement).

The Council heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Paul Badji, Chair of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Norway.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Ecuador and Iceland, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, South Africa, Jordan, Pakistan, Tajikistan (on behalf of the Organization of the Islamic Conference), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Cuba, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Switzerland, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Council heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Pedro Serrano, Acting Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations (speaking on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; as well as the Republic of Moldova and Armenia, which aligned themselves with this statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Philippines, Iceland and Ecuador.

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty
First session

9th meeting

Recommendations on the elements that would be needed to attain an effective and balanced legally binding instrument on the highest possible common international standards for the transfer of conventional arms in accordance with operative paragraph 7 of General Assembly resolution 64/48 . . . . . [5]

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, France, Australia, Pakistan, Senegal, Brazil, New Zealand, Mexico (a joint statement on behalf of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago and Uruguay), Nigeria, Belgium (in his national capacity) and Costa Rica.

The Chair made a statement.

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2010

General segment

43rd meeting

Economic and environmental questions . . . . . [13]

(a) Sustainable development

(c) Statistics

(d) Human settlements

(e) Environment

(f) Population and development

(g) Public administration and development

(h) International cooperation in tax matters

(i) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

(j) Cartography

The Council began its consideration of the item and sub-items.

Introduction and general discussion

Introductory statements were made by the representatives of the Committee for Development Policy, Mr. Adil Najam, and the UN-Habitat New York Office, Ms. Ya Djacta.

A statement was also made by the Chair of the Committee on World Food Security, Mr. Noel de Luna.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Ukraine, China, the Bahamas, the United States, the Russian Federation, Iraq Guatemala, Brazil, Saint Lucia and Canada, as well as by the observers for Belarus a Indonesia.

A statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Environment Programme.

Sustainable development . . . . . [1

Draft decision contained in document E/2010/29 (Supp. No. 9)

The Council adopted the draft decision (Chap. I, Sect. A).

The Vice-President (Mauritius) made a statement with regard to consultations on the resolution concerning the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its twe session (E/2010/33 (Supp. No. 13)).

Introduction of draft resolution E/2010/L.24

The representative of Maldives introduced the draft resolution, after which the representatives of the Comoros and Saint Lucia joined in sponsoring the draft resoluti

Statistics . . . . . [1

Draft decision contained in document E/2010/24 (Supp. No. 4)

The Council adopted the draft decision (Chap. I, Sect. A).

The Council concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

Human settlements . . . . . [1

Draft decision E/2010/L.25

The Council adopted the draft decision.

The Council concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

Environment . . . . . [1

Oral decision

Upon the proposal of the Vice-President (Mauritius), the Council decided to take n of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Program on its eleventh special session (A/65/25 (Supp. No. 25)).

Population and development . . . . . [1

Statements were made by the representatives of Peru and Chile.

Draft decision contained in document E/2010/25 (Supp. No. 5)

The Council adopted the draft decision (Chap. I, Sect. A).

The Council concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

Public administration and development . . . . . [13 (g)]

Draft resolution contained in document E/2010/44 (Supp. No. 24)

The Council decided to postpone consideration of the draft resolution to a later date.

Draft decision E/2010/L.29

The Council adopted the draft decision.

International cooperation in tax matters . . . . . [13 (h)]

Draft resolution E/2010/L.10

The representative of Yemen introduced, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the draft resolution.

Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions . . . . . [13 (i)]

The Vice-President (Mauritius) made a statement.

The Council concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

Cartography . . . . . [13 (j)]

Draft decision E/2010/L.23

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Oral decision

Upon the proposal of the Vice-President (Mauritius), the Council decided to take note of the report of the Ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas (E/CONF.99/3) and the report of the Eighteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific (E/CONF.100/9).

The Council concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

Organization of work

The Vice-President (Mauritius) made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006. Geneva, 27 January 2006

Definitive signature: Democratic Republic of the Congo (21 July 2010)

Treaty Event

Multilateral Treaty Framework: An invitation to universal participation

2010 Treaty Event: Towards universal participation and implementation

United Nations Headquarters (21–23 and 27–28 September 2010)

It is recalled that a series of successful treaty events have been held annually at the Headquarters of the United Nations commencing with the Millennium Summit in 2000. This year, the annual treaty event will be held from Tuesday, 21, to Thursday, 23 September, and on Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 September 2010, at United Nations Headquarters, to coincide with the general debate of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

The Event, entitled "2010 Treaty Event: Towards universal participation and implementation", provides a distinct opportunity for States to demonstrate their continuing commitment to the central role of the rule of law in international relations. This year's event will highlight treaties of global reach such as human rights, terrorism, penal matters, disarmament, climate change and the protection of United Nations personnel. In particular, this year will highlight a theme which celebrates and safeguards life on earth, biodiversity. 2010 marks the International Year of Biodiversity; it also marks the start of the United Nations Decade for Deserts and the Fight against Desertification, another global issue requiring a global response.

The list of treaties being highlighted this year has been circulated by depositary notification C.N.243.2010.TREATIES-3 of 28 April 2010. As is customary, it will be possible to undertake treaty actions with regard to any treaty deposited with the Secretary-General during the treaty event. Necessary facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations intending to sign or deposit instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General during the treaty event may wish to inform their Governments accordingly for the purpose of completing the requisite domestic procedures.

Under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. All other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Likewise, instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession must be issued and signed by the same authorities.

Further information concerning the 2010 Treaty Event is available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site <http://treaties.un.org> and at the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047). Information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the *Treaty Handbook*, which is also available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *July 2010* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Egypt
H.E. Mr. Maged Abdelaziz

Asian States:
Brunei Darussalam
H.E. Mr. Latif Tuah

Eastern European States:
Belarus
H.E. Mr. Andrei Dapkiunas

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Lucia
H.E. Mr. Donatus Keith St. Aimee

Western European and other States:
Belgium
H.E. Mr. Jan Grauls

Web sites

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management:
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_arabic.htm
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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004):
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